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## TALMAGE IS DYING THEIR ULTIMATUM

Noted Divine Can Hardly Last Throughout the day it is said.

Judge Pratt Takes Charge of the Attorney General's Office Today at Frankfort.

MOST IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE DAY.

**REV. DE WITT TALMAGE DYING.**  
Washington, April 12.—Rev. De Witt Talmage, the noted divine, is slowly dying, but may last through the day. He is unconscious, and has been growing worse for several days.

**JUDGE PRATT IN CHARGE.**  
Frankfort, April 12.—Judge Clifton J. Pratt is now attorney general of Kentucky, the mandate removing Judge Breckinridge being entered by record at Frankfort.

**THE LAMP EXPLODED.**  
Williamsburg, April 12.—The residence of Garrett Snyder burned last night while there was no one at home. The cause was a lamp explosion.

**NO NEW TRIAL.**  
Frankfort, April 12.—Judge Cantrell today overruled the motion for a new trial in the case of James A. Violet, the lawyer convicted of shooting Policeman Wingate. He was fined \$500 and sentenced to six months in jail. He will take an appeal.

**PLACED IN HOPKINSVILLE JAIL.**  
Hopkinsville, April 12.—William Hufley, who killed James D. Brown in Christian county, has been placed in jail here.

**IN CONGRESS.**  
Washington, April 12.—This was private pension day in the house, but by unanimous consent some other business was transacted before the regular order.

**DIED IN FRANKFORT.**  
Frankfort, April 12.—Mrs. Ben Preston, daughter of the former assistant adjutant general of the state, died today in Frankfort.

**OIL IN KENTUCKY.**  
Hindman, Ky., April 12.—Oil men are now rushing into Knott county, where there have been successful operations that have caused much excitement. Paying wells are coming in. Two at Jones Fork have been sunk that flow 100 barrels a day.

**LATEST L. & N. RUMORS.**  
New York, April 12.—It is rumored that the First National bank and the Rock Island have scooped the L. & N. road. The L. & N. stock went to 129 1/4 today. It opened off a point under last night's close, but soon recovered.

**LUMBER YARD AFIRE.**  
Louisville, April 12.—Gernert Brothers' big lumber yard is on fire, and all the engines in the city are at the scene. It started at 1 o'clock this afternoon, and the loss cannot be estimated.

**THREE ENGAGEMENTS.**  
London, April 12.—That the fighting continues in South Africa is shown by a casualty list given out yesterday which contains the names of a few of the killed and wounded in engagements which occurred at three points as late as the 8th and 9th of April. Preparations here continue for the dispatch of 20,000 additional troops for the winter campaign. Lord Roberts yesterday inspected the first draft of the guards which will sail for South Africa next week.

## THE MARKETS.

(Reported daily by Paducah Stock & Grain Co.)

	OPEN	CLOSE
WHEAT—		
May.....	73 1/2	73 1/2
July.....	73 1/2	73 1/2
September.....	73 1/2	73 1/2
CORN—		
May.....	50 1/2	50 1/2
July.....	50 1/2	50 1/2
September.....	50 1/2	50 1/2
OATS—		
May.....	32 1/2	32 1/2
July.....	32 1/2	32 1/2
September.....	32 1/2	32 1/2
POKE—		
May.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
July.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
September.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
LARD—		
May.....	9 7/8	9 7/8
July.....	9 7/8	9 7/8
September.....	9 7/8	9 7/8
RIBS—		
May.....	9 7/8	9 7/8
July.....	9 7/8	9 7/8
September.....	9 7/8	9 7/8

Carpenters Reject Contractors Offer and are in Turn Rejected.

Central Labor Union Votes Its Financial and Moral Support to Strikers.

SITUATION MORE COMPLICATED NOW.

The strike situation in Paducah is today more serious than it has been since the walkout occurred nearly two weeks ago. Yesterday afternoon the committee from the carpenters' union and the one from the contractors' union met at 4 o'clock, and the carpenters refused the proposition of the contractors, made in the forenoon, which was that they be paid what they were worth, from 25 to 35 cents an hour.

The carpenters then demanded \$2.50 for eight hours' work, which was a reduction of 30 cents a day on the original demand. The contractors promptly refused this, and as it was what the carpenters said was their "ultimatum," the contractors say that negotiations are off for good.

Last night there was a called meeting of the Central Labor Union, and a report was made by the carpenters' committee, which reported that it had failed to reach any agreement.

Central Labor Union then voted its moral and financial support to the striking carpenters, painters and teamsters, and this will entitle them to the \$5 a week from the strike fund. Just what form the "moral" support will take seems to be uncertain. One of the officers of Central union said it did not mean a sympathetic strike of other unions.

It is reported, however, that as a result of the final inability to settle the strike, there is likely to be a strike of the members of all unions, which would necessitate the members of the Builders' association, organized by the contractors, a short time ago, to get non-union men of all trades, which would shut out the union men entirely.

## REPRIEVE TOO LATE.

ARRIVED HALF AN HOUR AFTER MAN WAS EXECUTED.

St. Louis, April 12.—Henry Flutcher, colored, was hanged yesterday for the murder of Louis Roth, 16 years old, August 27, 1900.

At 6:45 a. m., just 35 minutes after the fatal drop fell, the following telegram was received by the sheriff from Governor Dockery, in response to a wired suggestion from District Attorney Falk last night, which the governor would not get out of bed to receive.

"Jefferson City, Mo., April 11. "Joseph F. Dickmann, sheriff, St. Louis: "I have granted respite of fifteen days in case of Henry Flutcher, to be hanged today. Stay execution. Answer. (Signed.) "A. M. DOCKERY, "Governor."

The following reply was sent: "St. Louis, Mo., April 11. "A. M. Dockery, Governor, Jefferson City, Mo.: "Henry Flutcher executed at 6:10 a. m. Telegram to stay at 6:45. "JOSEPH DICKMANN, Sheriff."

## SOMEWHAT EQUIVOCAL.

YOUNG MAN IS EAGERLY AWAITING AN ANSWER THAT HASN'T COME

A Paducah young man the other day in writing to his sweetheart, who is visiting in a neighboring city, started one of his letters "Dearest —, I have been racking my brain for the past half hour trying to decide what girl would bore me the least if I took her to the Kentucky tonight, and every moment has found me wishing you were here." He hasn't received a letter since and is wondering what is wrong. A jolting awakening awaits him, most probably, on the young lady's return.

See Jones' column for farm loan terms.



WILL THE TWIG HOLD?

## WEEK'S NEWS IN THE BUSINESS WORLD.

Clearings this week \$863,590. Same week last year, \$512,324. Increase \$351,066.

The clearings this week were the heaviest in recent years, showing an increase over last year's of 70 per cent. Some of this accounted for by payments to the stockholders of the Paducah Coal and Mining company part payments on the recent sales of stock in this company, and some by the heavy tobacco movements.

The wholesale houses all report excellent trade. In dry goods, groceries, saddlery and harness business is especially good. Some of the traveling men going out of Paducah for foreign

houses report splendid trade, too, particularly in the shoe line. Conditions in the country are improving and merchants are buying freely.

Retail trade in drygoods and clothing has been fine the past week and some of the furniture stores report business beyond expectations. One of the largest furniture houses in the city informed a Sun man that his business this week surpassed his Christmas week by a good margin. Retail hardware men report excellent business also. Other lines have been about normal.

Tobacco continues to come in freely and brings good prices.

## FELL FROM A SOFFOLD.

Mr. John Tilly, a carpenter, fell from a scaffold at Fifth and Clay streets where he was working this morning and tore away a portion of his nose, but was uninjured otherwise. The injury was dressed by Dr. Woelfe.

## NOT ABLE TO ATTEND COURT.

The case against John Mix, charged with maliciously assaulting a man named Gibe day before yesterday and breaking his jaw, was again continued in police court this morning as the prosecuting witness is not able to leave the city hospital. It is alleged Mix hit him with brass knuckles.

## SPRING'S DUN SPRUNG!

NOTE OUR HOME CLEANERS AND PRICES  
**Carpet Sweepers** Cyco Bearing Dust-proof, works easy; price \$2.00 to \$3.00.  
**Brooms** . . . . . 3-tie, 1 3-4 lb, well made 14c  
**Cotton Mops,** . . . . . All thread 15c up  
**Dusters,** . . . . . Turkey, Full Count, 10c  
**Step Ladders,** . . . . . 35c up

**MINOR ARTICLES:**  
Floor, Wall and White-wash Brushes  
Furniture, Metal and Stove Polish,  
Grate Enamel, Hearth Paint,  
Window Cleaner, Chamois Skins,  
Dust Pans, Carpet Stretchers, Tacks  
Tack Claws and Hammers,  
The above articles from 5c to \$1.25

**GEO. O. HART & SON,**  
HARDWARE AND STOVE CO.

## BADLY FRIGHTENED IN THE LOCAL COURTS

Webster Johnson, Colored, Finds Himself in a Pretty Stew.

Talks Last Night of Lynching Him—Was Hid by Officers to Save Him.

SAID TO HAVE INSULTED WHITE GIRL.

Webster Johnson, colored, was the cynosure of many eyes in police court this morning. The charge against him was only disorderly conduct, but last night there was a very ominous sentiment against him, and if he could have been found, he would probably this morning not be alive to tell the tale.

It is claimed by the police that he had been yesterday afternoon trying to engage Miss Taylor, white, of 905 N. Sixth street, in conversation. He first, according to her story, tipped his hat to her at Second and Broadway about 2 o'clock, and when she paid no attention to him, followed her, and at Sixth and Monroe streets overtook her and tried to talk to her, but was warned that he had better get out of the neighborhood as she was going to have him arrested for insulting her. A friend chanced to come along about that time, and the negro disappeared.

Miss Taylor started to the Clarke laundry about 7 o'clock last evening to accompany her thirteen-year old sister home, and claims that Johnson was waiting for her near the Illinois Central freight depot. She hastened towards the city, and at Fourth and Broadway informed License Inspector Ezell of the negro's actions. She went to the laundry and after getting her sister, came back and near Lang's drug store told Officers Singery and Nance her story, and they accompanied her back, walking some distance in the rear.

Johnson was behind a telephone post on the opposite side of the street, near Fourth and Broadway, and when pointed out to the officers, saw them and ran. He went up Fourth street towards legal row, turned into Court, and after going through numerous residence yards crawled under the servant's quarters at Mr. R. G. Terrell's residence near Sixth and Court streets, and was there arrested by the officers and a large crowd of men who had joined the chase.

He was locked up and later on various reports that were circulated resulted in quite a crowd collecting at Fourth and Broadway and Fourth and Court streets, and later at Sixth and Broadway, but most of them were there simply through curiosity, and wanted to see the other fellows do something.

Captain Henry Bailey soon had the negro spirited away where he could not have been found even if the "mob" had been any way formidable, and the captain made them a talk later in the evening, saying that the charges against the prisoner would be fully investigated, and that he was then not at the city hall, and the crowd could select a man to accompany him and see for himself, if it desired. Later on half a dozen or more of the men called at the hall, and Frank Berry, selected by them, was taken through the lockup and convinced that Johnson had been removed. This seemed to satisfy them and about 1 o'clock all traces of the "mob" was gone.

Johnson was evidently frightened when brought into the police court room this morning. The charge against him is disorderly conduct, all that could be made of it from the evidence. The case was continued until Monday in order that it can be more fully investigated.

Johnson says he is not guilty. To a reporter he said he didn't know the girl and had not spoken to or attempted to speak to any white girl. He said he was wanted somewhere else for a misdemeanor and when he saw someone point at him and say "There he is," he thought they wanted to arrest him on that charge, and that is the reason he ran. He was taken to the jail for safe keeping.

First Woman Convicted This Morning In Circuit Court Here

Lydia Ozment Gets one Year for Malicious Cutting—Other Cases Tried.

LITTLE DONE IN OTHER COURTS.

## CIRCUIT COURT.

The first week of circuit court ended today, and there has been little done. There have been a few convictions and one acquittal, and the time of the grand jury, which has returned but few indictments, was extended one week, and will be extended another week, as usual, when this week expires.

The first woman convicted at this term [is] Lydia Ozment, a white girl, who was given one year today for maliciously cutting Annie Carroll. They met near Eleventh and Tennessee streets a short time ago and the Ozment woman accused the other of paying too much attention to her husband and began slashing her. The prisoner's name was formerly Carroll. She is wife of Ernest Ozment.

The case against Jack McGill, for breaking into U. S. Abernathy's barn, was continued.

The case against Henry Skillman, for shooting into the home of Wes Warford, near Woodville, was also continued.

Three cases against John Moore, colored, for keeping a disorderly house, were dismissed. The grand larceny case against Fannie Wilson was continued until the second day of the September term of court.

The indictment against Pearl Wilson, for keeping a bawdy-house, was fled away.

Polly Hick's case for malicious cutting, was set for the eleventh day of the present term.

Sam Dodd, who was also indicted yesterday, will be tried on the 8th.

Tandy Reeves was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary for maliciously shooting Doc Jackson.

Jack Boyd will be tried on the 9th day of the present term and also will Lydia Ozment who cut Annie Carroll and who was yesterday indicted for the offense.

Henry Schmidt, the grocer and saloon keeper, was fined \$15 and costs for maintaining a nuisance in the way of an improperly managed saloon.

Henry Schmidt was fined \$30 and costs for selling liquor on the Sabbath.

## COUNTY COURT.

J. R. Lucas to Mary Frogg, for \$600, property near Eleventh and Norton streets.

Wm. H. Greer and others to Peter Rogers and others, for \$50, property near Fifth and Elizabeth streets.

Gip Husbands, M. C., to W. T. Pepper, for \$470.20, property in the county.

Mrs. L. Tully and others to S. B. Gott, for \$50 property in the Trimble and Norton addition to the city.

Sam B. Gott to Sophia A. Gott for \$1 and love and affection, property in the Trimble and Norton addition to the city.

Thomas Thompson and others to George C. Wallace, for \$2,000, property near Second and Jefferson streets.

J. W. Hudson, father of Harry Hudson, the young fireman killed in the Illinois Central accident a short time ago, was appointed the administrator of the estate of Harry Hudson.

Patrick Kelley deeds to Bradley and Kilcoyne, for \$350, property in the county.

Mary E. Kelley deeds to Bradley and Kilcoyne, for \$400, property in the county.

## MUST PROVE CHARGES.

Manila, April 12.—The press committee has had an interview with Acting Governor Wright with reference to the sedition law. Mr. Wright replied that the editor of Freedom, a local publication, who was recently arrested on the charge of sedition, in the columns of that paper made persistent attacks on the United States commission, and that he would now